

## **MINUTES**

**CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH  
CITY COUNCIL  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY  
HOUSING AUTHORITY  
IMPERIAL BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

**NOVEMBER 4, 2015**

**Council Chambers  
825 Imperial Beach Boulevard  
Imperial Beach, CA 91932**

**REGULAR & CLOSED SESSION MEETINGS – 6:00 P.M.**

### **REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dedina called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

### **ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK**

Councilmembers Present:	Patton, Bragg, Spriggs
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Mayor Present:	Dedina
Mayor Pro Tem Present:	Bilbray
Staff Present:	City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Hald, Public Works Director Levien, Assistant City Manager Dush; Building Official Holden

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Mar Vista High School Navy Junior ROTC.

### **AGENDA CHANGES**

**MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY PATTON, TO REMOVE CLOSED SESSION ITEM NO. 1 FROM THE AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

### **MAYOR/COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS ON ASSIGNMENTS AND COMMITTEES**

Councilmember Patton reported on the success of the Public Safety Open House and the City of San Diego's Palm Avenue Revitalization Workshop, his attendance at the SANDAG meeting, and complimented the fence on IB Blvd. and Seacoast Dr.. He stated parents and teachers were grateful for the Parks and Recreation survey making it down to Mendoza School. He announced the Dempsey Holder Surf Contest on Saturday and Military Appreciation Day on Sunday.

Councilmember Bragg reported on her and Mayor Dedina's attendance at the County Mental Health Outreach Forum, the October 29 MTS meeting and reported that MTS has a new website.

Councilmember Spriggs reported on his attendance on the South County Economic Development Council and his participation in a webinar for the California Coastal Commission in Preparation for a League of California Cities workshop regarding Sea Level rise issues. He requested Councilmembers read "Forecasting for Uncertain Futures," an article in Western City magazine and that an item be placed on a future agenda to discuss how certain issues included in the article would affect IB.

Mayor ProTem Bilbray announced that at the Military Appreciation Day event Hutchins Realty and VFW will be hosting a beer garden with proceeds going to VFW and Courage to Call.

Mayor Dedina also complimented the appearance of the new fence on IB Blvd. and Seacoast

Dr. He reported that Bill Walton, NBA Hall of Famer, played a role in getting the world's largest bike tour to come to IB in May and that he's been working with the Olympic committee to get the beach sports to come to IB. He announced the second round of the Dempsey Holder Ocean Festival and Surf Contest on Saturday and Military Appreciation Day on Sunday. He reported on his and City Manager Hall's attendance at a meeting in Tijuana to discuss issues with the Tijuana River.

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF**

John French announced the El Niño and Sea Level Rise Workshop on November 17, 2015.

Assistant City Manager Dush announced, on behalf of the owner of the property at IB Blvd. and Seacoast, a neighborhood workshop on November 19 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center for a proposed resort project.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Fabrice Gamin voiced concerns about the condition of Mar Vista High School and urged City Council to work with the Sweetwater Union High School District to have funds go toward its improvement. He handed out copies of the "Long Range Facility Master Plan" presentation to Councilmembers.

Michael Carey voiced his concerns regarding the Lighthouse and Florida Street projects and requested a review process on current zoning regulations.

Councilmember Patton suggested placing an item on the next agenda or having an Ad Hoc committee work on this issue and that he would like to participate in that process.

Councilmember Spriggs agreed, stating he has heard similar types of concerns from the public.

Mayor Dedina requested to have the issues submitted in writing along with placing an item on a future agenda so that it's clear what needs to be accomplished and have the City Attorney review it.

Councilmember Spriggs stated it should be done as soon as possible but also allow time for staff and the City Attorney to prepare an informative report.

Councilmember Bragg stated the Design Review Board should be included.

### **PRESENTATIONS (1.1-1.2)**

#### **1.1 COMPLETED BSA EAGLE PROJECT PRESENTATION BY TODD STRUIKSMA: RESTORATION OF THE EASTERN PORTION OF THE NATIVE PLANT GARDEN ADJACENT TO THE BAYSHORE BIKEWAY AT 10TH STREET. (0920-40)**

Public Works Director Leven introduced Todd Struiksma who provided an update and gave a video presentation on the completed project.

City Council complimented Todd for his passion, responsibility, work ethic and stated they were pleased with his video presentation.

#### **1.2 VECTOR CONTROL UPDATE BY CHRIS CONLAN, SAN DIEGO COUNTY'S SUPERVISING VECTOR ECOLOGIST. (0240-50)**

Chris Conlan gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding vector control issues, focusing on mosquitoes. In Imperial Beach the biggest problem is the Salt Marsh Mosquito which is abundant during high tides. While they don't transmit diseases, they are very annoying and abundant in warmer climates. He stated Vector Control will continue treating the area and cited preventive measures such as eliminating standing water, using screens on doors and windows, and insect repellents with Deet which work best.

In response to questions of City Council, Mr. Conlan suggested going on their website [sdvector.com](http://sdvector.com) to find mosquito predators, such as fish, for small areas. He stated pre-treatment can be done in some situations but it's hard to predict water flow and product can be diluted or washed out. He also stated a mosquito's lifespan is 2 weeks and suggested residents contact Vector Control at 858-694-2888 or go to the website for the latest information and assistance. He commented Vector Control is monitoring the situation and stated it would be apparent to residents if they are breeding in their home.

Mayor Dedina commented on the need to clean up the tires in the Tijuana River Valley.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (2.1-2.4)**

**MOTION BY PATTON, SECOND BY BILBRAY, TO ADOPT CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 2.1 THROUGH 2.4. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**2.1 MINUTES. (0300-25)**

City Council approved the Regular Meeting minutes of October 7, 2015.

**2.2 RATIFICATION OF WARRANT REGISTER. (0300-25)**

Ratified the following registers: Accounts Payable Numbers 87502 through 87588 and EFT #'s 90-96 for a subtotal amount of \$198,267.25.

**2.3 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-7642 AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN SURPLUS CITY PROPERTY. (0380-45)**

Approved Resolution No. 2015-7642 authorizing the sale/transfer of surplus property as listed in Exhibit A, Equipment Inventory List for County Auction.

**2.4 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 2015-7643 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RENEW AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH BAY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR PROVISION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER SERVICES FROM FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 THROUGH 2017/18. (0260-45)**

Adopted Resolution.

**ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING (3.1)**

**3.1 INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2015-1153 ADDING CHAPTER 15.07 OF THE IMPERIAL BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE AN EXPEDITED, STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR SMALL RESIDENTIAL ROOFTOP SOLAR SYSTEMS. (0710-95)**

Building Official Holden reported on the item. In response to Councilmember Spriggs question, Building Official Holden stated there is a lot of competition in the solar panel industry. Guidelines allow charging \$500.00 per permit and the City charges \$156.00. As far as education, there is information online, on TV and SDG&E has an education program. The City helps by issuing permits quickly and inspecting quickly.

Councilmember Spriggs suggested someone could start a social media page to see if there was a group of interested residents who could all get it done at the same time so that a single contractor might save them a lot of money.

City Manager Hall commented on the Ygreen, Hero and Pace programs where residents would get competitive prices. One challenge in Imperial Beach is that there is low electricity consumption. The Council has taken proactive steps to participate in the Pace program and encourage people to install solar systems.

Deputy City Clerk Carballo read the title of Ordinance No. 2015-1153. "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER 15.07 OF THE IMPERIAL BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROVIDE AN EXPEDITED,

STREAMLINED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR SMALL RESIDENTIAL ROOFTOP SOLAR SYSTEMS.”

**MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY BRAGG, TO INTRODUCE ORDINANCE NO. 2015-1153 BY TITLE ONLY, WAIVE FULL READING OF THE ORDINANCE AND SCHEDULE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF THE ORDINANCE ON NOVEMBER 18, 2015. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS (4)**

None.

**REPORTS (5.1-5.2)**

**5.1 UPDATE ON PARTICIPATION IN SAN DIEGO ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SANDAG) ICOMMUTE PROGRAM RIDESHARE MONTH CHALLENGE. (0140-40)**

Management Analyst Veja reported on the item and showed a photo of the program participants. Councilmember Bragg also reported on the item and gave a PowerPoint presentation. City Council received and filed the report on participation in the SANDAG iCommute program Rideshare Month Challenge.

**5.2 UPDATE FROM THE 2015 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CITIES. (0140-10)**

Councilmember Bragg gave a PowerPoint presentation and provided updates on her attendance along with Councilmember Spriggs at the League of California Cities Annual Conference held in San Jose, California between September 30 and October 2, 2015.

Councilmember Bragg suggested giving direction to staff to choose a date in September where they can initiate a community service project.

**MOTION BY BRAGG TO HAVE SEPTEMBER BE THE COMMUNITY SERVICE MONTH AND HAVE STAFF PICK A DAY AND MOVE FORWARD WITH STARTING THE SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO BE COMPLETED.**

Mayor Dedina expressed his concern on choosing a month before getting feedback from staff on what the best month is so it doesn't conflict with other volunteer events held in September.

Councilmember Bragg stated they could be consolidated into the Community Service Day.

**COUNCILMEMBER BILBRAY SECONDED THE MOTION. A VOTE WAS NOW TAKEN ON THE ABOVE STATED MOTION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilmember Bragg continued with her presentation on Community Wellness, highlighting annual projects to focus on the physical and mental wellness of the community. She encouraged Council to consider how the wellness of the community will be enhanced when planning future projects.

Mayor Dedina suggested having a future agenda item on the issue and bringing in Kimberly Marshall to help organize an event. He stated he would be attending a global wellness summit in Mexico City and that they are looking at promoting Imperial Beach as a healthy community.

Councilmember Patton stated he participated in Global Health Day at the new hotel and commented on the success of the event.

Councilmember Spriggs continued with the PowerPoint presentation on the League of California Cities Highlights stating they are sharing ideas that would best improve the quality of life in Imperial Beach. He spoke regarding a state designated cultural district and urged Council to investigate how to participate in this new state program. He also spoke on the importance of

having a “retail vision”, infrastructure that would go along with that vision and a warning from the panelists that cities must be diligent about mixed use developer promises regarding ground floor retail, which is sometimes more of an afterthought because sale of the residential units is often the financial driver of these projects, not long term retail leases. Councilmember Spriggs suggested that the City pay careful attention to the retail proposed for our several mixed use projects. He discussed a workshop on summer intern programs for high school students and suggested we explore such a program between the City and Mar Vista High School. He also reported on a meeting of the California Coastal Commission and requested feedback from the other Councilmembers.

Councilmember Bragg stated she and Councilmember Spriggs reported on the programs that were of most importance, requested feedback and suggested having each of the Councilmembers lead a wellness activity.

Councilmember Patton commended Councilmembers Bragg and Spriggs on their presentation, stating he was in favor of the intern program and that a report back from conferences attended is a good idea. He also suggested they volunteer to lead on the programs they are passionate on.

#### **I.B. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS (6)**

None.

#### **ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

None.

#### **ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Dedina adjourned the Regular Meeting at 7:44 p.m.

#### **CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dedina called the Closed Session Meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK**

Councilmembers Present:	Patton, Bragg, Spriggs
Councilmembers Absent:	None
Mayor Present:	Dedina
Mayor Pro Tem Present:	Bilbray
Staff Present:	City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Hald

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

#### **CONSENSUS OF CITY COUNCIL TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION MEETING UNDER:**

##### **1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Removed from agenda by prior City Council action.

##### **2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.8

Property: APN: 625-241-02-00

Agency Negotiator: City Manager, City Attorney

Negotiating Party: Sawhney Family LTD Partnership

Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mayor Dedina adjourned the meeting into Closed Session at 7:45 p.m. and he reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 8:19 p.m.

Reporting out of Closed Session, City Attorney Lyon announced City Council discussed Closed Session Item No. 2, City Council gave direction and no reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURN CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor Dedina adjourned the Closed Session meeting at 8:19 p.m.

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Serge Dedina,  
Mayor

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Sunem Carballo,  
Deputy City Clerk